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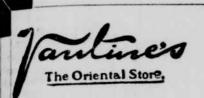
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MR. KNOX ANSWERS CRITICS

Points to Chinese Loans, Argentine Naval Construction and Consular Reforms.

[From The Tribune Bureau.]
Washington, May 20.—To preclude the Democratic campaign purposes, Secretary mittee now conducting an investigation a of this important branch of the government service. This report was made pubplished.

tions and proposals impossible before the than time enough to carry on the routine

Notable among the achievements pointthe department, of the contract for Argentine naval equipment, amounting to \$23,000,ing group in the Hukuang loan of \$39,000,000 for the construction of Chinese railways, in thought of engaging save for the activity of the department; leadership and participation in the so-called Chinese currency as a joke in the South. reform loan of \$50,000,000, a project through which great reforms will be made by China, and the construction in Asia Minor by an American firm of a railway system which, with the attendant concessions Republican party has been, in the judgment to the builders, involves between \$100,000,-000 and \$150,000,000.

Concession from Turkey Probable.

This last project is the latest big piece of work the department has done. It is highly probable that the concession sought will be granted by the Turkish Parliament within a few days, as, according to information just received by the department, it has been sent to the Parliament at Constantinople with the government's approval, and all things point toward its complete success. These are only a few of the things which stand out as having been recently accomplished.

The department is shown to have a disgained principally through consular and passport fees. Thus, \$3,400,923 was expended in 1910 for the maintenance of the de-\$1,654,893 in actual cash was received, makng the net cost of the entire establishment only \$1,946,060. The increased cost of the service in 1910 over 1909 was \$500,000, but commerce, imports and exports increased from \$2,974,981,328 to \$3,302,804,708, a difference of \$327,873,380. Since March, 1909, the department has also collected claims to the amount of \$2,315,800 for American citizens. The department has always had a limited personnel, the smallest of any of the excutive departments.

upward of \$250,000,000 have passed through the department. The labor involved in phatic denial of the Peerless Leader, there tiently. Time passed and the weather grew weeding out the bad claims is greater than is every reason to believe that Mr. Bryan hotter, and every time he turned on the that in handling those which were collect-

Diplomatic and Consular Reforms.

and consular services to "their present high termined. The plan now agreed on is that the Committee on Accounts; that at the plane of non-partisanship, with appoint- a measure providing for this 50 per cent first regular meeting of that committee it ments and promotions strictly in accord- reduction shall be reported by the Ways was referred to a sub-committee; that the ance with the merit system," is discussed and Means Committee, and shall then be sub-committee called for an estimate of in connection with the work of the bureau made the subject of a caucus. The caucus the cost and then got busy with patronage. of appointments. The department express- is expected to follow the leaders, and thus and that it is still busy with that perplexes much gratification over the condition a 30 per cent measure will be sent to the ing problem, and Mr. Dwight will have to of the consular service with respect to the Senate. Those unconvertible advocates of wait. apportionment of officials to states and territories. Before the merit system was installed there were seven states and territories which had no representation. There are now practically none. Since 1906 sixtyare now practically none. Since 1806 Sixty Three-fourths of Canal Excavater examination. Of these, thirty-three were from the North and thirty-two from the

The system of rigid examination for entry into the diplomatic service has also ty-four have received appointments in the 4,000,000 yards to be cut away. service. Of these, sixteen were from the North and eight from the South. The remen for the diplomatic service: "The depart says, contents service: "The de-men for the diplomatic service: "The de-partment's experience leads one to the which will feed the canal with water, has belief that, except in the East, there is a been done. remarkable lack of interest in the service."

SEND ULTIMATUM TO CENATE Vote or Stay, Say House Lead. ers-Mr. Taft Cool.

Washington, May 20.-What is practically to-day by the Democratic leaders of the at this session on Canadian reciprocity. the Farmers' Free List bill and on the revised wool schedule. Provided these terms are met the House will agree to a recess from July 1 to October 1. Otherwise the Senate will be held in continuous session throughout the dogdays by the House refusing to adjourn.

The Democrats do not expect that the Sepate will ratify all their tariff legislation at the special session, but they want a record vote, it is declared, whether affirmative or negative, on reciprocity, the free list and wool.

Senator Burton, of Ohio, said to-day that this word had been communicated to the Senate from the House side and that in his opinion, should the House leaders adhere to this policy, the prospects of a recess were not bright.

Congressmen who see President Taft these days are not surprised to learn that he is not worrying about the date of adcourament. While Washington has been sizzling with the mercury around the 100 mark, the President's office shows a temperature of about 80. The President sits over a ton of ice each day, for the White liouse refrigerating plant is just beneath his desk. The cooled air is forced into the room by fans, and statesmen who wen't their perspiring way to the executive offices find Mr. Taft smiling and comfortable.

If it comes to a struggle between Congress and the President, Mr. Taft will have an aid in the hot weather. The Capitol is a hot spot, and even lemonade and iced carbonated water do not offset the advantage of 20 degrees difference in temperature

WORKHOUSE FOR LETTER CARRIER Thomas Carr, of No. 682 Tenth avenue, a substitute letter carrier, attached to Station E, at Sixth avenue and 32d street, was sent to the workhouse under the cumulative sentence act on a charge of disorderly conduct by Magistrate Cornell in the Jefferson Market court yesterday morning. A. N. Crow, superintendent of the branch, accused Carr of staggering into his office with a revolver in his hand.

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MORE CORPORATION TAX .- The Dem-

ocratic leaders believe they have devised a

being graduated, it is guaranteed to fall

most heavily on the larger corporations.

compel the larger corporations to divide

by paying a less rate of taxation, and that

would, of course, aid and abet the anti-

tion whatever that this measure will be-

binder, and he will then proceed to describe

the plutocratic Republican Senate. It looks

great on paper, and the Democratic leaders

THE BRANDEIS ETHIOPIAN .- Will it

e strictly "ethical" for the committee

office Department to permit Louis D. Bran-

deis, retained by E. G. Lewis, of St. Louis

to assist the committee in its probing of a

federal department? This is the question

sadiy afoul of one Colonel Theodore Roose-

velt when the colonel was President of the

United States. George B. Cortelyou, then

Postmaster General, barred Mr. Lewis's

literature from the second class mail, and

then made a report to President Roosevel

which led that Executive to stand by his

Postmaster General as through fire and

water. Mr. Lewis feels that he has a

grievance of large proportions, and he

doubtless expects to get even with the for-

mer Postmaster General, as much as with

the present one, if he only can utilize the

pre-eminent hectoring and browbeating

abilities of Brandels. As a creator of cam-

paign material Brandels is regarded as

quite a success, and the Democrats would

dearly enjoy his assistance, but, as has

been said, they are sorely perplexed over

TRIALS OF AN EX-WHIP .- There may

be madder men in the House than Repre

sentative John W. Dwight, former Repub

lican whip, but it would be hard to find

them. Mr. Dwight now possesses a fine

head of hair, but he is moved to exclaim,

with the Psalmist, "How long, oh Lord,

how long?" For days Mr. Dwight has been

trying to secure for his committee room in

the House office building a brush and comb

He is not particular. Any good, plain

brush and comb would serve his purpose,

the way of his requisition by the Demo-

crats in control of the House that he is be

ginning to believe that by the time he gets

are placing much store in it.

Washington, May 20. Hughes, Rainey and Randell and Dixon, are TAFT GAINING GROUND .- Reports that President Taft is rapidly gaining except at the mandate of a party caucus, ground politically are being brought to Washington from all parts of the country. will lie down in the road while the Demo-The people, according to those in a posicratic steam roller goes through the mo tion to speak with authority, are coming tions of running over them. Of course, more and more to understand the Presithey would not be willing to lie down in the dent. They have become accustomed to his road if they had not heard from above, and ways and have learned that they must that is the reason that Mr. Bryan's stout themselves look for the merit in his adprotestations that he has never sanctioned ministration, as he refuses to advertise it. any half way treatment of the wool sched-They realize that he is not a politician, ule are received with a large allowance of and they have come to admire the sturdy fearlessness with which he faces every dilemma and performs each duty, without thought of the effect of his actions on his possibility of gross misrepresentation of own political fortunes. The even-handed nifty little scheme for gathering in the supthe work of the State Department for justice his administration is meting out to port of the "peepul" in the proposition for the trusts is commanding admiration from an increased and graduated corporation Knox has submitted to the House com- the people, although it is being severely tax. Such a tax, they maintain, would condemned by the trusts themselves and by make up for the deficit they are bound to full report on the work and organization their legal advisers. The Standard Oil de- create by their reduction of duties, and, cision has gone far to demonstrate the worth of a President who is not only lic to-day. It sets forth the reforms that willing but able to make the best judicial Incidentally, it is argued, such a tax may have been accomplished in the last few appointments. The policy which President years, the system that has been estab- Taft has adopted of treating the insurgents themselves in order that they may escape lished to meet the demands of American with entire fairness, regardless of their trade and diplomacy in foreign countries personal hostility to him and his political and the results that have been accom- welfare, is winning over many of the men trust law. Of course, there is no expectain that camp. Sober reflection and some Many of the results are directly due to measure of experience have shown the come a law, but it is confidently expected the efforts of the specialists in foreign Payne tariff bill to be a better measure to make a great talking point in the coming fields attached to the bureaus of the dethan was generally appreciated when it campaign. "Down with the corporations!" partment. The department has been able was passed, and the thorough work being will be the cry of the Democratic spellto enter a new field and take up negotia- performed by the Tariff Board is gradually convincing even the skeptics of the value this just and proper measure proposed by reorganization, when the officials were of that agency in arriving at the just the Democrats and ruthlessly rejected by thoroughly overworked and had no more measure of protection; while the hit-or-miss methods employed by the Democrats in their tariff tinkering are serving to throw into strikingly favorable contrast the policy ed out in the pamphlet issued by the de- advocated by President Taft. These are partment are the acquisition by Americans, the important reasons presented by those through the assistance and influence of who are now coming to Washington and charged with the investigation of the Postreporting on political conditions throughout the country. General Powell Clayton, na 000; the participation by an American bank- tional committeeman from Arkansas, paid a visit to the White House to-day, and declared that the Far South would send which is perplexing the investigating comsolid Taft delegations to the national committee, at least the Democratic members which American bankers never would have solid Taft delegations to the national convention. Republican insurgency, with La thereof. E. G. Lewis, it will be recalled, is Follette as its leader, he said, is regarded a promoter of large interests, who fell

INSURGENTS DESPERATE.-The desperation of the insurgents, "Bourne's Salvation Army" and all that faction of the of the political experts in Washington, strikingly exemplified in the effort to utilize Justice Hughes's name with which to make inroads into Mr. Taft's strength. Of course, nothing was further from the purpose of the insurgents than to nominate Justice Hughes. "Progressive Republicanism for personal gain," is their motto, or, at least, that of their leader, Senator La Follette, but so discouraging have been the efforts to create popularity for "Battle Bob" and so strongly are the Taft phalanxes showing up that one of the inusing the name of New York's former "ethical." tinct earning capacity which goes a long of course, the clearly defined understand-way toward covering expenses. Revenue is as soon as the national convention had been converted into a mêlée. But the justice was far too clever to permit himself partment and the foreign service, but to be used in any such manner, and those who fathered this bright idea have brought down only ridicule on themselves. Justice Hughes is very happy on the bench, and it will take far more than the tempting offer of insurgent support-an offer as valueless as it is insincere-to tempt him to leave his life place in the highest tribunal in the but so much red tape has been placed in land to enter the arena of politics again.

DEMOCRATS AND WOOL-Tariff revision, neither all wool nor a yard wide, his brush and comb he will have nothing but half shoddy and somewhat shrunken. left on which to use them. Mr. Dwight put In the last two years claims involving appears to be the fixed policy of the Demo- in his requisition at the beginning of the that in nandling those which were consect. better content themselves with the 50 per But there were no implements with which cent reduction of the duties in the wool to smooth it. Finally he sent a tracer. schedule on which Mr. Underwood, Speaker This has now come back with the report The gradual evolution of the diplomatic Clark and other Democratic leaders are de- that the requisition was duly referred to

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